



## Maria Fanis

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**Maria Fanis**  
Mershon Center

"Threat perception and Unilateralism in American  
Foreign Policy After the End of the Cold War"

**Wednesday, February 4, 2004**  
**12:00 p.m. \***  
*Mershon Center*  
*Room 120*



Maria Fanis (Ph.D., Michigan) came to Mershon after two years as a Visiting Assistant Professor at Cornell. Her main research agenda focuses on the role religion, public morality, and economic interests on decisions to wage war or not during international crises. In her book manuscript, "Impossible Peaces, Unthinkable Wars," she looks at the effects of religious beliefs, secular morality, and economic interests on foreign policy-making in the United States and Great Britain from the 1790s through 1812 to 1846. During her year at the Mershon Center, Fanis will be revising her manuscript for publication and will also be extending this line of research to American and British foreign policies in the post Cold war era.

Another research topic on which Fanis will be working while at the Mershon is the effects of immigration and diaspora in the European Union on the redefinition of the member states' national identities. She will also be looking at the challenges of religiosity, multiculturalism, and ethnicity on the quest for a European citizenship, and their influences on European foreign policies.

\*R.S.V.P. to Ann Powers if you plan to attend this event. \*